

December 14, 2007

2005-125-4

## VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Mr. Charles Terreni Chief Clerk and Administrator South Carolina Public Service Commission 101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Re: Filing of Quarterly Monitoring Report by Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Pursuant to S.C. Code §58-5-430

Pursuant to Section 58-5-430 of the South Carolina Natural Gas Rate Stabilization Act, enclosed is the quarterly monitoring report for the twelve-month period ending September 30, 2007, for Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. Please accept the original and 25 copies for filing.

If you have any questions about this filing, you may reach me at 704-731-4259 or David Carpenter at 704-731-4242.

Sincerely,

Pia Powers

Manager - Regulatory Affairs

Enclosures

ORS – Carey Flynt (5 copies via overnight delivery)

Scott Elliott

James H. Jeffries 1V

## CERTIFICATION

I, Thomas E. Skains and David J. Dzuricky, state and attest, under penalty of perjury, that the attached Quarterly Monitoring Report is filed on behalf of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. as required by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina; That I have reviewed said report and, in the exercise of due diligence, have made reasonable inquiry into the accuracy of the information and representations provided therein; and that, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, all information contained therein is accurate and true and contains no false, fictitious, fraudulent or misleading statements; that no material information or fact has been knowingly omitted or misstated therein, and that all information contained therein has been prepared and presented in accordance with all applicable South Carolina general statutes, Commission rules and regulations, and applicable Commission Orders. Any violation of this Certification may result in the Commission initiating a formal earnings review proceeding.

Thomas E. Skains
President and CEO

12/14/07

**Date Signed** 

David J. Dzuricky Senior Vice President and CFO

12/14/07 Date Signed

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this

14 day of Seconber, 2007.

Notary Public Wanda R. O'Neil

My Commission Expires April 24, 2011

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(3) Accounting And After Pro Forma Pro Forma Per Filing **Adjustments** <u>Adjustments</u> Operating Revenues Sale of Gas 207,405,874 \$ \$ 7,013,988 \$ 214,419,862 Other Operating Revenues 990,182 990,182 **Total Operating Revenue** \$ 208,396,055 7,013,988 \$ 215,410,043 ======= ======== ======= Operating Expenses Cost of Gas \$ 129,383,890 10,488,700 \$ 139,872,590 Other Operation & Maintenance 29,852,233 (434,434)29,417,799 Depreciation 11,420,291 278,334 11,698,624 General Taxes 5,830,995 516,244 6,347,239 State Income Taxes 1,598,765 (220,946)1.377.819 Federal Income Taxes 7,878,846 (1,077,823)6,801,024 Amort. of ITC (60,024)(60,024)**Total Operating Expenses** \$ 185,904,995 9,550,075 \$ 195,455,071 Net Operating Income \$ 22,491,060 (2,536,087)\$ 19,954,973 Interest on Customer Deposits 126,317 126,317 Amortization of Debt Redemption Premium (14,721)(7)(14,728)**AFDUC** 241,503 241,503 **Customer Growth** 169,972 (19,304)150,668 Net Operating Income For Return \$ 23.014.131 \$ (2,555,399)\$ 20,458,732 ======== ======= ======== Original Cost Rate Base Plant in Service \$ 368,554,506 368.554.506 Accumulated Depreciation (135, 356, 884)(135, 356, 884)Net Plant in Service \$ 233,197,622 \$ 233,197,622 Add: Construction Work in Progress 4.541.005 4,541,005 Materials and Supplies 20.977.069 20,977,069 Cash Working Capital 3,510,948 (54,304)3,456,644 Deduct: **Customer Advances for Construction** 3,599 3.599 **Customer Deposits** 3,414,424 3,414,424 Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes 35,004,548 35,004,548 **Unclaimed Funds** 393,346 393,346 Total Original Cost Rate Base \$ 223,410,728 \$ (54,304)\$ 223,356,424 ======= ======= Return on rate base 10.30% 9.16% ====== ======

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				After Account	After Accounting and Proforma Adjustments	a Adjustments		
	Per Books Capitalization	Accounting and Pro Forma Adjustments	Capitalization	Ratio %	Cost Net Investment	Embedded Cost %	Embedded Overall Cost % Cost Rate %	Net Operating Income
1. Long-Term Debt 2. Common Equity	\$ 835,513,967 873,018,816	00	0 \$ 835,513,967 0 873,018,816	48.90% \$ 51.10%		6.91% 11.31%	3.38% 5.78%	3.38% \$ 7,550,842 5.78% 12,907,889
3. Total	\$ 1,708,532,783	0	0 \$ 1,708,532,783	100.00% \$	223,356,424		9.16%	9.16% \$ 20,458,732